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Ms. Emma Best
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Reference: F-2018-01938

Dear Ms. Best:

This acknowledged receipt of your 14 September 2018 letter, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 21 September 2018, in response to our 1 August 2018 letter concerning your 25 June 2018 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for **copies of all emails containing the non-sensitive terms WikiLeaks, WikiLeaks or WikiLeaks.org. Please include the complete email exchange for each email, including any emails that are being replied to as well as any subsequent replies.** In your letter, you correctly noted that CIA had not addressed your request for a fee waiver in connection with this case in our prior correspondence. This was an administrative oversight on our part, and we apologize for any inconvenience.

Upon review of your request for a fee waiver, we have determined that you are entitled to a partial waiver of fees incurred in the processing of this FOIA request. Specifically, we have determined that you are entitled to a waiver of fees to the extent that the disclosure of the information would be in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the operations or activities of the Government.

Notwithstanding the grant of a partial fee waiver noted above, please be advised that, given that your request as written is quite broad, we anticipate that the search for responsive records in this case may yield a considerable amount of potentially responsive records whose disclosure will not further the public's understanding of the operations or activities of Government. We have determined that you are not entitled to a waiver of fees for such records as their disclosure is not in the public interest. While our preliminary estimate is that the duplication fees for such records may exceed \$500, we are unable to provide you with an exact fee estimate until we have completed the search, identified the documents responsive to your request, and determined how many pages of nonexempt, responsive material will be released.

Accordingly, based on our review of your request, we would require an advance payment of \$250.00 toward the applicable fees and your written commitment to pay all applicable fees prior to our processing of your request. Please forward a check or money order in the amount of **\$250.00**, made payable to the **Treasurer of the United States** and citing **F-2018-01938**, as well as your written commitment to pay any additional applicable fees incurred. Alternatively, if you wish to limit the fees that will be incurred during the processing of this request, you may wish to consider narrowing or revising the scope of the request, and providing a date range for the request. We also note that your request as written is quite broad. In addition to limiting the fees incurred in processing the request, narrowing or revising the request will also assist us in more efficiently processing your request.

Please advise as to whether you wish to proceed with the request as written, or rather are amenable to revising or narrowing the scope of your request as described above. We will hold your request in abeyance for 45 days from the date of this letter pending your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Fong".

Allison Fong
Information and Privacy Coordinator